

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application. No claims have been added. Claims 6 and 17 have been canceled. Therefore upon entry of the present Amendment, claims 1-5, 7- 16, and 18-20 will be pending.

The examiner has objected to the specification's line spacing and font. A replacement specification is provided herewith.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4, 16, 18 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Linquist et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,373,909).

The Examiner has rejected claims 5 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious Linquist et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,373,909).

The Examiner has rejected claims 19-20 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Linquist et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,373,909) in view of Behzad (U.S. Publication number 2004/0152437).

The Examiner has objected to claims 6-14, and 17 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants have amended claim 1 to incorporate the limitations of claim 6. Thus, Applicants submit that claim 1 is in condition for allowance.

Applicants have amended claim 8 to be in independent form including the limitations of claims 1 and 8. Thus, Applicants submit that claim 8 is in condition for allowance.

Applicants have amended claim 16 to have the limitations of claim 17. Thus, Applicants submit that claim 16 is in condition for allowance.

Claims 2-5 are dependent, directly or indirectly, upon claim 1 and are also in condition for allowance.

Claim 7 has been amended to be dependent upon claim 1 and is thus in condition for allowance.

Claims 9-14 are dependent, directly or indirectly, upon claim 8 and are also in condition for allowance.

Claim 15 has been amended to be dependent upon claim 1 or 8 and is thus in condition for allowance.

Claim 18 has been amended to have the limitation of claim 6, Thus, claim 18 is in condition for allowance.

Claims 19 and 20 depended from claim 18 and are thus also in condition for allowance.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

While it is believed that the instant response places the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

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